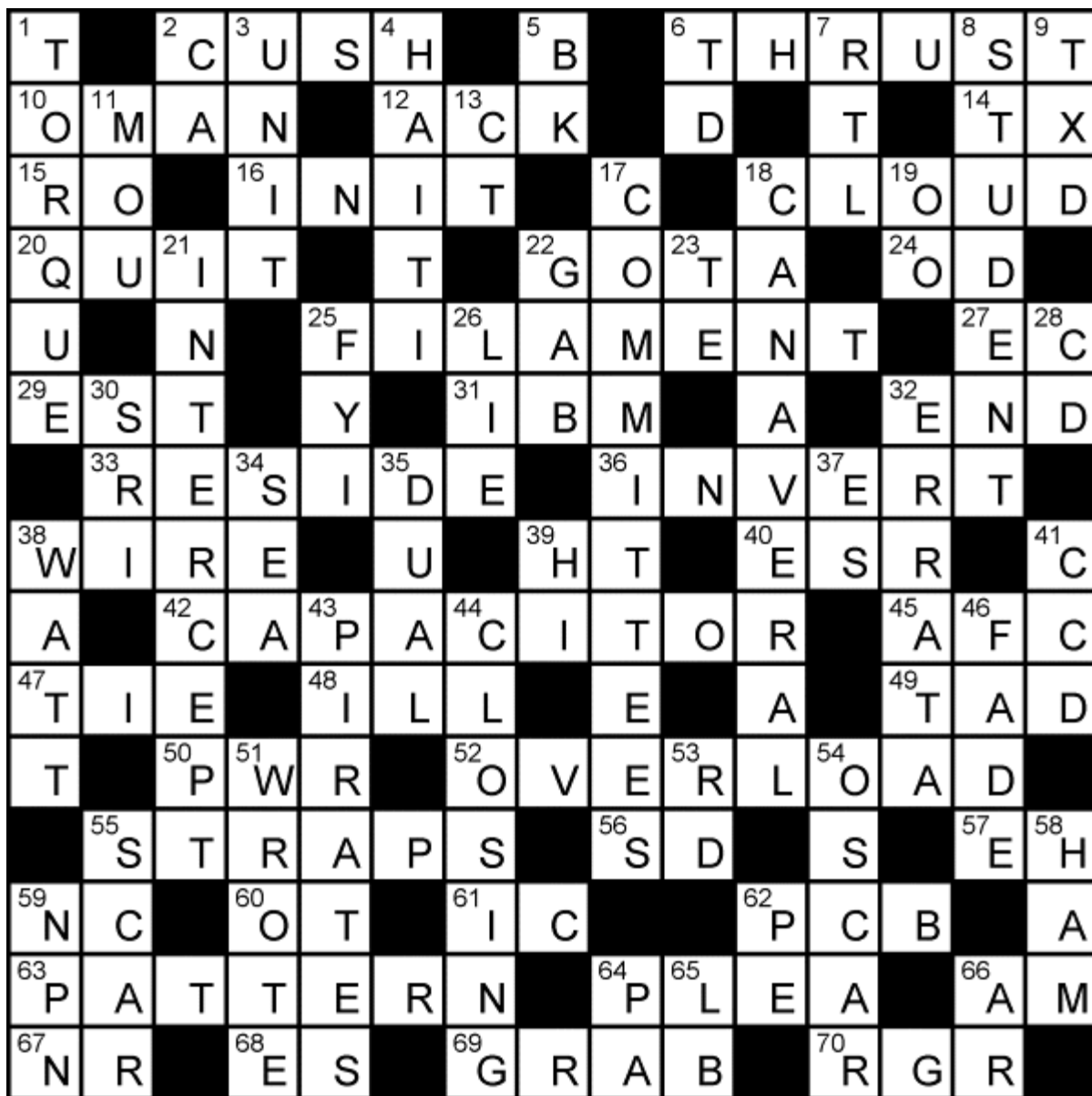


Valley of the Moon Amateur Radio Club

WIRELESS



2007



THE PUZZLER SOLUTION FROM THE ARRL WEB SITE

FROM THE TOP: MOVING

The February 21 meeting moves to McDougal Hall on SDC. The speakers are scheduled to be Alan, K6KLL and Sanford, N7PIB, discussing the finer points of County Hunting.

Past President, Dan, KG6LJN, hit the road for Mississippi. I hope everyone had a chance to try and FINDU.COM and see his progress across the country. According to the position report, Dan has arrived in Leakesville and is probably busy figuring out where to install the new antennas. Try and contact Dan on IRLP or Echolink. I hope to have more information on nodes and maybe a schedule in the future.

It is official that the FCC has removed the code requirement for obtaining an amateur radio license. The new rules were recorded in the Federal Register on January 24 and go into effect on February 23. As was noted in last month's newsletter, Technicians will get HF privileges on the Novice bands for CW and voice and digital privileges on 10 meters. If you are interested in getting on HF let me know and the club will find someone to give you a hand.

If you are interested in trying out a new mode, I have been testing a computer program that does RTTY, called MMTTY. It is available on the internet for free and works very well through the same connections that I am using for PSK31. There are quite a few RTTY contests and it is a fun mode to operate.

Tom, KG6QJQ, has been hard at work coordinating Field Day at the Vallejo House in Sonoma. There should be news on the progress at the meeting.

Volunteers are still needed for the Baker to Vegas race that is scheduled for April 21 and 22. See Jim, K6UUW or myself if you are interested.

We still need net control stations for the VOMARC and ACS nets. Let me know if you are available.

See you at the meeting.

Dave, KD6FIL

VOMARC Minutes, January 17, 2007

The meeting was called to order at 7:30PM.

There were 21 in attendance. Introductions were made.

There were no minutes of the December meeting as that was

the Installation of Officers dinner.

The treasurer was not present, so there was no treasurer's report.

Dan and Linda Sorrick KG6LJN & KG6LJM, are leaving on the 24th for their new home in Mississippi. Dan was presented with an electric bug Zapper and a can of OFF (just in case the bug zapper isn't enough). The bugs grow big in Mississippi :) Good luck to both of them in their new homes. Hopefully we can keep in touch via the airways. They will be back in September for their daughter's wedding and their last load of belongings.

ACS report: The EOC, as we have know it, is gone. The equipment was moved to the fire station on Saturday the first after the club breakfast. Randy

Larson is to install the cables and antenna.

The Eagle project is moving along. The headquarters for the project has been moved into a facility at the university in Maryland.

VE Sessions: The next one is on January 27,2007. The response to e-mail requests for volunteers has been very good this time. Thank you. The next VE session will be at the Ham Fest in April. Due to everyone having other Ham Fest duties, we will need outside help staffing that

session. Contact Joel Nadler, NN6J, for more information.

The Baker to Vegas run is on January 21, 2007. There is a sign up sheet going around, but if you wish to volunteer and are not at tonight's meeting, contact Jim Hill, K6UUW.

OLD BUSINESS:

The abolishment of the code as a licensing requirement has been passed, but has not yet been published an the federal guidelines. Thirty days after publication, the new regulations will be effective. That is expected around the end of February, 2007.

NEW BUSINESS:

We still need many volunteers for Net Control for both the VOMARC net on Wednesday nights and the ACS net on Monday nights. Either sign up at the meeting, or contact the president, Dave, KD6FIL.

Ham Fest: The paperwork is at the county. We are just waiting for the letter from the City granting the club use of its free day for the Vet's Memorial Building to complete the application process.

Darrell Jones, WD6BOR, has asked for help organizing the various committees. The committees are: Publicity, set up, clean up, DX station, Breakfast. Tom Benton, KG6QJQ, will be the committee chairman for the

paper publicity. Jim Hill, K6UUW, and Eileen Adams, KG6QNT, will be the chair people for the electronic publicity. We are trying to find an organization with a bulk mail permit that will allow us to do a mass mailing to all the Sonoma and Napa Hams publicizing the Ham Fest. That organization will be given recognition on the mailer. If one cannot be found, the cost of the mailing will be very high. Ed Caine, KA6OFR, will do talk in. Ed Jacobson, W1EJ, will be chairman for the breakfast, but needs two crews, one for set up and one for clean up. Joan, W6WXU, will be in charge vendor and swap table registration. We will try to e-mail vendors well in advance, inviting them to the Ham Fest in an effort to encourage more vendors. Ken McTaggart, N6KM, will be contacted to see if he will arrange for the county emergency equipment and red cross equipment to be on display again this year. Jim Hill, K6UUW, will be in charge of the club station. Many hands make light work. Please mark April 28, 2007, on your calendars now so we can have a good turn out of club members and make this Ham Fest the best ever.

Field Day will be June 23-24, 2007. We need to decide on a location soon in order to begin the necessary paperwork to procure the site. Various suggestions are: Maxwell Park again, Camp Via, Infineon Raceway, a private property behind Sonoma Market, Vallejo's Home. Tom Benton, KG6QJQ,

will contact the ranger at Vallejo's Home to get information on holding Field Day there.

ALL CLUB MEETINGS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE WILL BE AT MCDOUGAL HALL, SONOMA DEVELOPMENTAL CENTER. Due to the move of the police station, the City Council will be meeting at the Fire Station.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30PM.

The program for the evening was EME 101, Everything You Want to Know About Moon Bounce.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joan Brady, W6WXU,
Secretary

**QST, QST, PLEASE PASS
THIS ON....**

Hello,

My name is Sal De Franco, N6SPD
Im the Vendor Coordinator for RadioFest 2007.

I would like to invite your membership to participate in RadioFest 2007.
It all Happens in Monterey on Saturday February 24th.

RadioFest 2006 has been a great success.
And we are hard at work to make RadioFest 2007 even better,

RadioFest is a FREE Public

Service and Family Event.
And is sponsored by the
"NPSARC" Naval Postgraduate
School Amateur Radio Club.

We will have many great events
like:

FLEE MARKET
VENDOR BOOTHS
HAM RADIO DEMOS
FREE LICENSE EXAMS
FANTASTIC SPEAKERS
DOOR PRIZES

And many more great Ham
Radio activities.....

Please visit our www page
<http://www.radiofest.org/>

And if you would like to be a
vendor please click on the link
below.
<http://www.n6spd.com/radiofest/2007/vendorinfo.htm>

This year we are back at the old
Fort Ord General Stillwell
Community Center.
And when RadioFest is
completed, you have the
Beautiful Monterey Peninsula to
take in.

And after RadioFest you are
invited to N6IJ Super Station
Open House.
<http://www.n6ij.org/>

What a great weekend, Ham
Radio, RadioFest, N6IJ Super
Station and the Monterey
Peninsula

We hope you will participate in
this years great celebration of
Ham Radio....

Link to RadioFest 2007.
<http://www.radiofest.org/>

Link to Vendor page.
<http://www.n6spd.com/radiofest/2007/vendorinfo.htm>

Link to Vendor Application.
<http://www.n6spd.com/radiofest/2007/rentalapplication2007.pdf>

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RadioFest 2007, It all happens
in Monterey....

2007 VE SCHEDULE

April 28
August 25
December 1

Joel Nadler, NN6J
VOMARC VE Coordinator

Wanted, old 2-meter mobile
radio. No PL tones required. To
be used for tracker on the Baker
to Vegas adventure. Let me
know what you have. Contact
Dave, KD6FIL, at 545-5822.

FOR SALE:

HF equipment:

All items believed to be in good working condition.
Kenwood TS 140S HF transceiver-\$350
MFJ 962C Versa Tuner III. 1.5 kW antenna tuner
Heathkit SB200 linear amplifier - \$200
Johnson Viking kW Match Box - \$200
Kenwood PS 430 power supply
MFJ 422-B electronic keyer paddle
Ham Keyer HK5A keyer

VHF/UHF equipment, near new condition. Both items barely used.

Astron RS 20A power supply.
Kenwood TM 742A tribander 2M/440/1.2 with tower antenna and mag-mount.

Eran, KD6KVO, 996-8933,
glago@comcast.net

Kantronics All Mode Communicator, a TNC that will do Morse (CW), RTTY, ASCII, AMTOR and Packet on HF and Packet on VHF/UHF. With manual and in good working order. \$50.00
32 foot crank-up mast and base by Tristao. Will support tri-band antenna easily. \$100.00. Base needs some repair.

VOMARC c/o Ken McTaggart
N6KM 938-2626,
kmct@vom.com.

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Joel Nadler, NN6J - VE Liaison
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Darrel Jones, WD6BOR - Editor

Receipt of the Wireless is one of the most sought after benefits of membership in VOMARC.

CLUB MEETINGS are held on the third Wednesday of each month, alternating between McDougal Hall at the Sonoma Developmental Center, Eldridge, and the Sonoma Fire Station, 630 2nd Street West, Sonoma. Meetings start at 19:30 local (7:30 P.M.).

WEB PAGE:
<http://www.vomarc.org/>

Nets are held every Wednesday night at 19:30 (7:30 P.M.) local, except meeting nights on the 145.350 repeater, -600 kHz, PL 88.5 Hz.

ACS holds a net each Monday evening at 19:30 local on the 146.205, +600, PL 88.5 Hz repeater.

PACKET STATION INFO: The VOMARC packet station is on 144.910 as "SNV1EC". "SNVGW" can be used as a gateway digipeating on 223.66 MHz. The node name is "SNVND".

CLUB BREAKFASTS are held on the first Saturday of each month at Issa's Restaurant, 18999 Sonoma Highway, Sonoma. The fun starts at 09:30 local.

Comments and submissions of material may be sent to:
wd6bor@vom.com

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, AT 7:30 P.M. AT
MCDUGAL HALL AT SONOMA DEVELOPMENTAL
CENTER
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VOMARC MEMBERSHIP

VOMARC 2007 Membership Dues: \$15/year individual; \$5/year family member.

VOMARC encourages its members to join the ARRL. More information is available at www.arrl.org.

QST is available to blind and physically handicapped individuals on audio cassette from the Library of Congress, National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. Call 1-800-424-8567.

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Membership Moment, From the Database Queen

Please check the mailing label on this newsletter. It tells you when your VOMARC dues are due. Dues may be mailed to Ken N6KM, 402 Fourth Street East, Sonoma, CA 95476, or brought to the next meeting. If there is any mistake, please do not shoot the messenger; email Eileen KG6QNT at Eileen@vom.com. Your check should be made payable to: **VOMARC**